

**JOINT BOARD MEETING
MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS, PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND
SOCIAL WORKERS EXAMINING BOARD
January 13, 2004**

PRESENT: Crystal Berg, Jennifer Borup, Peter Fabian, LaMarr Franklin,
Lynn Gauger; George Kamps, Susan Kell, Susan Putra, and
Linda Schwallie

EXCUSED: Colleen James

STAFF PRESENT: Kimberly Nania, Bureau Director; John Schweitzer, Legal Counsel; and
Gina York, Bureau Assistant

GUESTS: Marc Herstand, NASW; Joseph D'Costa, DWD/DVR

CALL TO ORDER

Jennifer Borup called the meeting to order at 1:12p.m. A quorum of 9 was present. Ms. Borup welcomed Ada Williams-Parr, Social Work Section, to the Joint Board at today's meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions to the Agenda:

- Under Other Business: Add Discussion of April 20th Evening Meeting

MOTION: Lynn Gauger moved, seconded by LaMarr Franklin, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The MFTPCSW Joint Board held an election for officers on January 13, 2004.

MOTION: Susan Kell moved, seconded by Lynn Gauger, to nominate LaMarr Franklin as Chair of the Joint Board. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: LaMarr Franklin moved, seconded by Linda Schwallie, to nominate Peter Fabian as Vice Chair of the Joint Board. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Crystal Berg moved, seconded by Linda Schwallie, to nominate George Kamps as Secretary of the Joint Board. Motion carried unanimously.

The results from the Board's elections are as follows:

ELECTION RESULTS	
CHAIR	LaMarr Franklin
VICE CHAIR	Peter Fabian
SECRETARY	George Kamps

The MFTPCSW Joint Board meeting was turned over to the new Chair, LaMarr Franklin, at 1:24 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 12, 2003

Amendments to the Minutes:

NONE.

MOTION: Susan Kell moved, seconded by Susan Putra, to approve the Joint Board Rules Committee minutes of December 12, 2003 as written. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Susan Kell moved, seconded by Susan Putra, to approve the MFTPCSW Joint Board minutes of December 12, 2003 as written. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Kimberly Nania, Director of Bureau of Health Professions, provided information to the Joint Board that the Department is working on new policies and procedures. Once they are finalized, they will be presented to all Sections and Boards. The Section asked about the filling of new Board appointments. Dr. Nania will send an email to Christopher Klein regarding this issue. There have been some retirements in the Department, Bill Dusso, has retired and the new Head of Legal Counsel is Steve Gloe. Mr. Gloe has been with the Department for several years as an

attorney in DOE. The building renovation plans have been finalized and will be going through the bidding process.

SUMMARY REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND PRESS RELEASES

John Schweitzer, Legal Counsel reviewed the Administrative Rules report with the Board. There was not a listing for AB 693 on the report. Attorney Schweitzer will check into why it was not listed. Marc Herstand, NASW wanted the Board to know that there is a hearing tomorrow and he will be attending it.

REQUEST FOR A REPRESENTATIVE QUALITY OF CARE REGARDING THE WISCONSIN PRISON POPULATION

The Board asked for clarification regarding the role of members going to tour the prisons. The Department of Corrections (DOC) invited professions to send members if they wished. Carrie Mathews will provide a list of tour dates for Board members to choose from and they can let Ms. Mathews know which date would work best for them.

AODA TASK FORCE PROPOSAL

At the last Board meeting, it was requested that Board members bring recommendations and solutions to the January 13, 2004 meeting for consideration and any new information to share. During this time, Jennifer Borup did an AODA educational comparison and Peter Fabian tried to reach the new executive director of WCB on the AODA issue for input. The Board looked at many options and possible solutions. Section representatives will present the Board's recommendations at the upcoming AODA Task Force meeting scheduled for Friday, January 16, 2004.

After the January 16th task force meeting John Schweitzer, Legal Counsel, and Kimberly Nania, Director of Bureau of Health Services will consult with Secretary Strong Hill on the outcome of the meeting and what action will be taken.

REPORT OF RULES COMMITTEE

The Rules Committee did not meet. At the last meeting, the Board decided that the Committee would be a standing committee that shall be convened by the direction of the full Board or by the Chair of the Joint Board. John Schweitzer shared that there will be another hearing on the proposed rule regarding foreign degrees later in today's Board meeting.

ADDITIONAL HFS RULE ON RECORD KEEPING

The Board discussed the additional HFS rule on record keeping with John Schweitzer, Legal Counsel and made recommendations regarding this rule.

HEARING FOR PROPOSED RULE REGARDING FOREIGN INSTITUTIONS EQUIVALENCY FOR MFT, PC, AND SW

A rule hearing was held at 1:55 p.m. pertaining to the proposed rule regarding foreign institutions equivalency for MFT, PC, and SW professions. Marc Herstand, NASW, presented before the Board and express concerns he had that the rule now includes the passing of the TOFEL exam and asked for an explanation. It was shared with Mr. Herstand that at the last meeting there was a decision based on the fact that individuals should not only speak English but there needs to be a standard to define if an individual's English is at an acceptable level and it was decided that the TOFEL Exam would do that. Time was allotted for closing remarks and the hearing was adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

MOTION: Susan Kell moved, seconded by Peter Fabian, to proceed with the rule making process if no opposing remarks are received. Opposed - Jennifer Borup. Motion carried.

REPORT OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS SECTION

Linda Schwallie reported that the Marriage and Family Therapist Section met the morning of January 13, 2004 and discussed the HFS Record keeping Rules. The Section will be revisiting the Jurisprudence Exam to review content, questions regarding Act 80, the test construction and whether to create a test item bank. The Section is also looking at MFT Curriculum for consistency in education, field experience and supervision. One of the topics on the agenda was the AODA Proposal and this was referred to today's Joint Board meeting.

REPORT OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS SECTION

The Professional Counselor Section has not met since the last Joint Board meeting. Therefore, there is nothing to report at this time.

REPORT OF SOCIAL WORKERS SECTION

The Social Work Section has not met since the last Joint Board meeting but shared the following with the Board. The Section has welcomed a new Section member, Ada Williams Parr. The Social Worker Section now has the checklist for schools, students, and supervisors posted on the DRL Website. Jennifer Borup shared a binder having the clinical component for reviewing applications and has found it very helpful.

REVIEW OF INQUIRES RECEIVED BY LEGAL COUNSEL

Noted.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

John Schweitzer, Legal Counsel, shared with the Board that the Department worked with the Social Work Section on the development of a brochure for the Social Work Training Certificate. There will be brochures developed for the Professional Counselor and the Marriage and Family Therapist Sections in the near future.

VISITOR COMMENTS

Noted.

OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

DISCUSSION OF APRIL 20, 2004 EVENING MEETING

The Board discussed having an evening meeting to bid farwell to Board members for their years of dedicated service. Susan Putra will do the arrangements and Lynn Gauger will work on the gift ideas. Ms. Putra will let Kimberly Nania know specifics when arrangements have been made so this meeting can be posted properly.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Jennifer Borup moved, seconded by Crystal Berg, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Next Meeting Will Be Held On

April 20, 2004